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Dear Homeland Security and Public Safety Coordinators:

It is my pleasure to announce that the State of Utah has received the Fiscal Year 2005 Homeland Security grant award from the Office for Domestic Preparedness (ODP). This grant will provide \$13,046,325 of State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) funding to the state of Utah, with 80% (\$10,437,060) of the funding being allocated to local jurisdictions. The grant will also provide \$4,744,118 of Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program funding to the state of Utah, with 80% (\$3,795,294) of the funding being allocated to local jurisdictions. Regional representatives have received notice of the funding amount allocated to their respective region. As with past Homeland Security Grants, regional allocations have been determined by the Homeland Security Grant Advisory Board.

In addition to the SHSP and the LETPP, Utah also received \$165,623 (\$132,498 to local jurisdictions) in funding to support the Citizen Corps volunteer program. As with the FY 2004 grant, the Citizen Corps funding will be distributed through the State Citizen Corps Council. Information on the Citizen Corps grant can be found at www.volunteers.utah.gov.

As with past Homeland Security Grants, ODP has imposed a timeframe for obligating funding and accomplishing the tasks necessary to meet the requirements of the grant. For that reason, it has been decided that this application package will be sent out electronically. A detailed package will be sent to the regional point of contact and a more generic package will be sent to all the eligible disciplines that currently exist in the DES database. **To meet the deadlines imposed by ODP, we must ask that each region complete and submit all required forms to DES no later than March 25, 2005.**

In receiving this notification and guidance materials, it will be your responsibility to coordinate your priorities and requests with your county level regional representative. A list of the county point of contact has been included in this package along with instructional guidance titled "Local Process for Allocating FY 2005 Homeland Security Grant Fund".

Please note that there are two separate sets of guidance for the State Homeland Security Program (SHSP) and the Law Enforcement Terrorism Prevention Program (LETPP). The LETPP is specifically targeted for the law enforcement discipline only. The SHSP is available to all disciplines involved in the regional response team effort. Each region has received a separate allocation for the LETPP and the SHSP. These must remain separate and funding must be allocated to each jurisdiction as one program or the other and the two cannot be mixed. A PDF file providing the entire federal guidance for the FY 2005 Homeland Security Grant has been included in this package. Another PDF file outlining the authorized equipment list for FY 2005 has also been included. Please note that some items are eligible under both the SHSP and the LETPP and some items are only eligible under one or the other.

As with the FY 2004 Homeland Security Grant, the FY 2005 grant is closely tied to meeting the goals identified in Utah's Homeland Security Strategy and therefore every activity or item of equipment requested must help to achieve at least one of the state's goals. Please be reminded that the number one goal of the state strategy remains "To establish and enhance regional response teams." Each region should be considering the regional response capability with every item prioritized for funding. Major resources such as mobile command posts should be requested as a regional asset and should not be duplicated by numerous entities throughout the region, where possible.

Additionally, it should be noted that Utah continues to place a high priority on interoperable communications. It is one of the top two goals to accomplish throughout the state. To assist in achieving this goal, we would ask that you coordinate any communication equipment requests with the Department of Public Safety's Information Technology Director, Phil Bates (801-965-4791). This will allow us to make sure that we are making good communication choices as it pertains to becoming a state with an effective and interoperable communication system.

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Please find attached the following resources:

- FY 2005 Federal Grant Guidance
- FY 2005 Authorized Equipment List
- Local Process for Allocating FY 2005 Homeland Security Grant Funds Guidance
- County and Regional Level Contact List
- A -133 Circular
- FY 2005 Points of Interest Summary

If you have questions about the grant or the grant process, please contact Kris Hamlet at (801) 538-9553 or khamlet@utah.gov .

As always, I would like to thank and compliment your Region for the hard work and time that is put into this grant process and the overall State Homeland Security effort.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert L. Flowers".

Robert L. Flowers
Commissioner

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Enclosures